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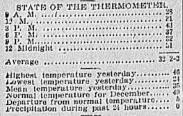
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SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather.

SHINGTON, Doc. II.—Forecast for day and Sunday: naine—Fair; Sunday, rain or snow, at light; south winds, shifting to and increasing, the Carolina—Fair Saturday; Sunday of probably rain; east winds, slowly sing.

mercury ranged rather low all day day, falling below the freezing after nightfall. The air, though was agreeable and bracing.



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A dramatic scene in the Senate yesteray—insurance bill amended, defeated ind the vote reconsidered—Favorable eport on the bill requiring grand any westigations after every election—Milstelen Miller Gould visits Street-car Y, 1, C, A, and takes a picture of a group I the members; will return 10 the formal pening in February—City police bill asses the House—Arrangements to give great Christmas gliner to the poor—tunicipal Committee to investigate again ext week—Bill offered to appropriate a million dollars to creet a new Capital and the great Christmas gliner to the poor—tunicipal Committee—Mother and son begin term in the penitentiary for train trecking—Lee Camp fixes the date of tonewall Jackson's birthday—Brauer rial takes place to-day at Henrico courtinouse—Gir who masqueraded as a main Richmond visits other Virginia cities of the committee and the country of the co

e—Anti-Saloon convention to be here. MANCHESTER—The Manper Council defies the new Constituper feusing to increase its member—
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Virginia.

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retary Fiester shows cotton crop thend of same period hast year—United States Steel active on the market, and is pressed down—Bank clearings show a healthy increase—Cotton spinning not encouraging, but evidence of better conditions in ion and steel—Senator Tillman critis receas appointments by Fresident—Secretary Root says no explanation is needed from General McArthur—Heavy verdict in the Get tich Quick cases—Lanig and Hunt held to have been Federal officers when they killed Harless.

IMPERIAL GRANT TO AID

COTTON IN WEST AFRICA

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.—An imperial grant in aid of cotton growing in British West Africa will be proposed during the coming session of Parliament, and it is understood that the suggestion has been favorably received by the government departments concerned. The British Cotton Growing Association is preparing full ton Growing Association is preparing full ton Growing Association is preparing full details of the results of the experimental planting, for submission to the Colonial Office, and the recent excitement in Lancashire caused by the report of the United States Agricultural Department of a shortage of the American crops is being utilized as a reason why every effort should be made to render the English cotton trade independent of the shortage cotton trade independent of the shortage in the United States cotton crop.

WERE FEDERAL OFFICERS WHEN THEY KILLED HIM

(By Associated Press.)

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. II.—United States Judge John Jay Jackson to-day decided the habeas corpus case of John Laing and Stewart Hurt, holding that they were Federal officers acting under process of the United States court when they killed John Harless, and therefore justified, and not amenable to State courts. Laing is an operator and Hurt is in his employ. They accompanied Deputy Marshal Cunningham last winter to arrest John Harless, a leader among the striking miners, for whom Cunningham had a rule in contempt for violating United States Judge Keller, "blanket injunction." Harless fied when Cunningham and others approached his house. As he went by Laing, Hurt fired and killed him, claiming self-defense as Harless, with revolver in hand, was defying arrest. CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 11 .-

ROOSEVELT ONLY ONE TALKED OF

Tongue for President.

MANY VIRGINIANS DO NOT WANT HIM

Thought to Reflect the State's Sentiment.

CHICAGO SEEMS AHEAD IN RACE FOR PLUM

Majority of Members of Committee Said to Have Declared Themselves for That City in Preference to St. Louis as Place of Meeting.

expressions from members of the Republebbles of the hotels to-day and to-night are all indicative of the renomination of the time. The following remark by Hon. the member of the committee for Vir-

"Why, I have not heard a peep, much less a loud voice, against Roosevelt's nomination. We are all heartly for him

for the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt, but they are carried away by the popular sentiment. They have to present the appearance of yielding.

IS NOT RETICENT.

Great amusement has been caused Democrats and Republicans alike by the publication in a Republican paper of this city a statement attributed to Mr. Roosevelt, that he would not discuss his nomination with anybody, and that he had not done so. It is a well recognized fact that this has been the one troile, almost, talked of with all Republications. without reference to the will have on his candidacy. It is con

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MADAM NORDICA SUES FOR DIVORGE

operatic world is given to-day as a reason for the suit for absolute divorce brought by Madame Lillian Nordica against her husband, Doltan X. Doeme, a famous Hungarlan tenor. The name of the singer who has excited the jealousy of Madamo Nordica has been zealously guarded from the

DENOUNCED THE PANAMA CONSPIRACY

THE RECOGNITION A

Thought Out Long

MR. HITT DEFENDS

Panama Was Necessary to Keep Open, the! Path of Trade-Panama's Birth

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 .- The birth of the Republic of Panama and its recogni sas), during the consideration of the pening the administration in connection with the canal and Mr. Hitt (Republican, Illinois), chairman of the Foreign Affairs can policy. Mr. Williams (Mississippi),

isthmian question. No conclusion was reached on the pension bill.

ARRAIGNED THE PRESIDENT

of Abraham Lincoln, and referred to the attitude of the government in 1850 toward the question of recognition, saying that Mr. Hay had now taken a different view of that question.

Mr. Hitt (Republican, Illinois), chairman of the Committee on Foreign Airfairs, replying to Mr. Dinsmore, said he was astonished at the remarks of the gentleman from Arkansas, adding such attacks on the government would not

MR. DINSMORE'S DISAVOWAL. Mr. Dinsmore disavowed any purpose to impute dishonorable or improper mo-tives to the officers of the government.

treplied that troops could be

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TREASURER POWELL **FULLY EXONORATED**

Dismissed by the Grand Jury and Gives a Gilt-Edge Bond.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CREWE, VA., Dec. 11,—After three days of continuous and ardent search and investigation, with over a hundred witcounty completed their labors late yesterday afternoon in the matter of the accounts and transactions of J. L. Powell. treasurer of the county, for the last eleven or twelve years, and reported saveral bills of indictment against him for felony and misdemeanors as not true bills.

dica has been zealously guarded from the public by the prima donna and her lawyers.

It is stated, however, that Madame Nordica and the womanwhom she now regards as her rival, were once great friends. Under the Grau management, they shared the highest honors at the Mcropolitan Opera House, and their devotion to one another, was the subject of much friendly gosslp among those in the musical world.

A year ago, it is stated, Madame Nordica observed a growing friendship between the singer and her husband, and soon afterward, the singer and Herr Doeme went to Paris. Madame Nordica heard that the two were constantly to gether in the French Capital, and soon determined to sue for divorce.

A Negro Hanged.

(CARTERSVILLE, GA., Dec. II.—Robert Middlebrooks, colored, was hanged here to-day for the murder of Balliff Freed, whom ho-killed six months ago, while resisting arrest.

DRAMATIC SCENES IN SENATE FOLLOW MISUNDERSTANDING

His Name is on Every Mr. Williams, Democrat. Arraigns President.

DELIBERATE PLAN

Statement of Mr. Bowden Not The Project Had Been Well

THE CONSPIRACY

The Administration's Apologist Declares the Recognition of Was Forescen;

MR. JONES

Handsome Lowell, Mass., Female Masquerading in Male Attire.

IS A GIRL

WAS A VISITOR TO RICHMOND

Played the Part of a Rich Young Man, But Failed to Settle Her Hotel Bill.

A sixteen-year-old girl, masquerading n male attire, has been "doing" certain Virginia cities, including Richmond, beat ing boarding houses and hotels...

The girl is "Harry N. Jones," of Lowell, Mass., young and pretty and still a in Richmond and stopped at a boarding questioned, she said she owned a lot of Richmond property and had come down to see about it. After a stay of a few

to see about it. After a stay of a few days, she suddenly left. The board bill was left unpaid—included in her other Richmond property, as it were,
A few days later, Harry N. Jones, of Lowell, Mass., registered at the Paim Hotel, in Staunton, after being refused admittance to the Eakleton, because he had no baggage. Hurry said she was representing a magnine and was solleting subscriptions therefor. She visited the gymnasium, took part in the exercises, and proved to be quite an actor on the parallel bars. She was of sender build, had a girlish voice, and was handsome. She wore knee trousers.

"Mr. Jones" abmdoned Staunton, and its hotel bill on Tuesday and betook to

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the others. The magazine subscriptle agency was put to work again, and a staid Washington and Lee professor con-

MILLION DOLLARS FOR NEW CAPITOL

Hon, W. H. Graveley Offers Such a Bill in the House.

Hon, W. H. Graveley, of Henry, yesterday offered in the House a bill to

terday offered in the House a bill to appropriate \$1,000,000 for the erection of a new Capitol building. The first section of the bill reads as follows:

"He it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That the sum of \$1,000,000, \$200,000 per annum for five consecutive years, beginning with the year ending September 30, 1901, be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the building of a new State Capitol."

The second section of the bill directs that the present Capital Building Com-

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The second section of the bill directs that the present Capital Building Committee report plans to the next General Assembly, and also whether it is advisable to erect the proposed new Capitol building on some other part of the square or to tear down the present structure and build on the present site.

The bill may not pass at the present session, but there is a decided sentiment in the General Assembly for an up-to-date Capitol building.

SLEIGHT OF HAND AT

tributed a check for \$1. "Mr. Jones," who is said to be of an artistic temperament, thought a circle more ornamental than a straight line and thereupon embellished the check thus "9." But it didn't work, and Mr. Jones left again, this time for parts unknown.

RUNNING THE GAUNTLET ON BROAD STREET.

LOOKING FOR HEIRS OF NORTH CAROLINIAN

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—J. E. Smith, manager of the Bee Hive, at Newbern, N. C., writes thus to Patrick H. McLaughiln, the inspector in charge of the uniformed police force of Brooklyn:

Nowbern, N. C., Dec. 8, 1903.

To the Chief of Police of Brooklyn, N. Y.:

"Dear Sir.—Will you please try and that out if there is some lady or her heirs in Brooklyn that is the heir of Isaac Cif-

find out it there is some any or net action in Brooklyn that is the helf of Isaac difford, or sister of John Gifford, of Nortg Carolina, Craven county. The father was a one-armed man. Please let me know if you can find any such helrs there and obtains

Mr. McLaughlin would like very much to find the heirs, and he deked the re-porters to spread broadcast the informa-

PREACHER BEING TRIED FOR MALADMINISTRATION

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., Dec. 11.—Rev. Frank M. Sprague, of Tampa, Fla., was placed on trial here to-day before the Humpden Conference of Congregational Ministers, charged with having maliclously incited his congregation to strife and with maladministration of church affairs. The hearing is held in secret. Mr. Sprague is tried in this city be-

THE LEAKE GRAND JURY MEASURE IS FAVORED

House bill 431 was reported to the Senate yesterday with a unanimous recommendation by the Committee for Privileges and Elections. This is the measure known as the Leako bill, which provides for special grand juries after all regular and primary elections, recently passed by the House. The unanimous action of the committee augurs the passage of the bill in the Senate with little or no opposistrengthen the Barksdule pure election

OLD WOMAN KILLED; A FAMILY FEUD

Found Dead With Six Bullet Wounds in Her Body-Members of Family Arrested.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.-With six bullet wounds in various parts of her body, almost any one of which would have caused death, Mrs. Racheal Ann Really, reventy-one years old, was found murdered in her home here to-day. Many mysterious features surround the

case. The police have two men and a woman under arrest on suspicion of knowing something about the crime. All of them are members of the murdered woman's family, and all the evidence points to a long standing family dispute as the motive for the crime. Those in custody are Andrew Weedon, the husband of Mrs. Beall's step-daughter, and Charles Ocirich and his wife, Jessie, a son-in-law and daughter, Mrs. Oelrich admits discovering the body, but it is said did not report to the police for almost three hours. There were evidences that an attempt had been made to clean up the pool of blood on the kitchen COMMONWEALTH CLUB floor, where Mrs. Beall had fallen, Mrs.

COMMONWEALTH CLUB
A smoker, which bids fair to be unusually pleasant, will be given by the Commonwealth Club to-night to members and friends.
The feature of the evening will be Charles S. Bennett, who performs the most marvellous sleight of hand feats. A member of the club who has with nessed one of his performances, says that he is a wonder.
There will be some good singing and instrumental music,

REASON FOR THE APPEAL

William J. Bryan Charged With Using Undue Influence on Mr. Bennett.

WIDOW FILES DECLARATIONS

And Objects to All Bequests Providing for Trust Funds for Educational Purposes.

sel for Mrs. Bennett, widow of Philos of the reasons for the appeal recently also from the decision of Probate Judge

will, providing for trust tunes for educational purposes to be administered by
Mr. and Mrs, William J. Bryan, and also
to the appointment of Mr. Bryan as exceutor and trustee. That statement was
elaborated in the document filed to-day,
which, after repealing the clauses of
the will to which objection is taken,
says in effect, that Mr. and Mrs. Bryan
"induced and persuaded," Mr. Bennett
to sign a paper addressed to William J.
Bryan, and to copy a considerable part
of another paper, the said copy to be

made concerning all the clauses appeal-

THE LIMIT GIVEN TO JOHN SMITH

Young Negro Who Robbed Restauranteur at Point of Pistol Gets Twenty-five Years.

(From Our Regular Corespondent.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.-John C. Smith, the young negro, who created such sensation on November 19th by entering a lunch room on G Street about 8 o'clock in the evening and robbing the proprietor of \$28 at the point of a pistol, and then shooting two policemen who pursued him, was to-day found guilty and sentenced to twenty-five years' impris-

sentenced to twenty-five years' imprisonment. Sentence was imposed in Criminal Court No. 1, and was pronounced by
Justice. Pritchard.

The negro got the limit of the law.
Fiftcen years is the maximum penalty for
assault with intent to kill. He was convicted on the first count of asault with
intent to kill Officer Osburn and given
an additional ten years upon conviction
on the second count, the attempt to kill
Officer Edwards, who was only slightly
hurt. In view of the sentence imposed
in the assault with intent to kill cases, the
charges of robbery and housebreaking
were notle prossed.

"Get-Rich-Quick" Verdicts.

Get-Rich-Quick' Verdicts,
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Dec. II.—A verdict of \$7.,
93 was to-day returned against Affred
G. Goslin and Robert A. Ammon, of the
Miller Syndicate notoriety, and the defendants in the first of a serious of actions brought against the alleged "getrich-quick" operators. The initial suit
was that brought by the firm of commission brokers of Secon & Bell, of To-

Wickham Aggrieved by Action of Colleagues.

BILL REPORTED IN HIS ABSENCE

Opposition to His Request for Recommittal of the Measure.

SUGGESTION OF LECTURING FINANCE COMMITTEE

An Enciting Incident, Which Had, However, an Amicable Ending-Insurance Bureau Bill Amended, Defeated and the Vote Reconsidered.

egan tamely enough yesterday with the routine of opening ceremonies and usual was observed and felt by many that such

In the morning hour the Committee on ance and Banks had reported favorably the bill of Senator Anderson, pro ably the bill of Senator Anderson, providing for the appropriation of \$150,000 in addition to that already appropriated, for the repair, enlargement and improvement of the State Capitol. No discussion had followed the submission of the report, but when the special order had been disposed of and the Senate was about to otherw. For the day, Mr. Wick.

President Willard, in graceful terms, announced that he would exercise his prerogative and decline to submit the question of the resignation of the sens-tor from Hanover, and the Senate applauded the utterance, as it had done a tribute to Mr. Wickham by Mr. Anderson.

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Mr. Wickham then desired to withdraw his motion to recommit the bill, but ere he was settled in his seat again, the tail form of Senator Opie arose on the other side of the Senate and he renewed the motion to recommit. "I see the senator from Hanover is writing his resignation," said Sonator Opie, "and I desire to prevent that. It would be a calamity to the State." Continuing, the senator from Augusta eloquently commended the senator from Hanover for his invaluable service to the State, and expressed the carnest hope that he would not insist on offering his resignation.

Timely Adjournment.

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offering his resignation.

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At this crucial moment the senator from Hallfax, Mr. Barksdale, arose to the occasion and solved the difficulty by moving to adjourn. The motion was immediately put and carried without dissent, Immediately nearly all the senators crowded around the desk of Mr. Wickham and remonstrated, persuaded and sought in every manly way to induce the senator not to execute the radical step he had in contemplation, and from which up to this moment he had indicated no purpose to recede.

Just what was said could not be distinctly beard where so many were talking. Presently, however, Mr. Shackelford was called by Mr. Wickham and came over to the group. The senator from Orange exchanged a word or two in the nature of mutual disclaimers, and then the two classed hands warmly, not to say affectionately, placed a hand upon the shoulder of each other, and the fricted in the theory of the intent of his friend from Orange and their fellow sepators, had determined to reconsider the action he was on the poing of consummating.

How It Occurred.

In the discussion leading up to this dramatic incident, Mr. Wickham had

In the discussion leading up to this dramatic incident, Mr. Wicklam had moved to take up Senate bill 50 appropriating \$155,000 for the enlargement and repair of the State Capitol, He then moved in recomment the bill to the Commence of the State Capitol, the then moved in recomment the bill to the Commence of the State Capitol.